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Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

Chief, External Affairs

SUBJECT:

Request from the House Education and Labor Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education Re Foreign Language Improvement

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- 1. Subcommittee Chairman Paul Simon (D., IL), through his staff, has requested your appearance in Executive Session to testify on the classified aspects of the Intelligence Community's concern on language capability in the United States.
- 2. Prompted primarily by your offer to appear before the Subcommittee in Executive Session at the open hearing earlier this month, Chairman Simon would like you to appear before the Subcommittee sometime during the week of 3 7 August. At this point, they feel the House will still be in session during that week. The Subcommittee does not plan to invite any other witnesses to testify. No prepared statement is requested.
- 3. From what we have been able to gather from the Subcommittee staff, they wish to have an informal question and answer session with you regarding such aspects of this topic as Agency resources allocated to language training (costs, personnel, etc.), language-designated positions, and examples of Agency failures or successes as a result of language usage.
- 4. If you agree to attend, arrangements will be made from this office via the Subcommittee staff, and the appropriate background materials will be supplied to you.

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/s/ B. R. Inman Date 2 9 JUL 1981	
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